



Tremont, IL Weekly News

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Christmas Walk Feedback

If you attended any of the Christmas Walk activities on Saturday, December 3rd, Tremont Commerce Association would like your feedback. Please consider filling out the following survey to help make future Christmas Walks even better.

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School News

Remy Gives a Paw

Everyone has friends that they hang out within the classroom but in this class it's not a person, it's a dog. Remy, a three year old Golden Retriever, is a therapy dog belonging to Janel Weiland. He attends school with her every day and has warmed the hearts of everyone who crosses his path. Mrs. Weiland and Remy were trained by the service organization Paws Giving Independence, based out of Peoria. They had to complete over 25 hours of training and pass several public access tests before Remy was allowed to come to school. They both continue to have monthly classes to continue his training.

Remy spends his days in the classroom giving support to students. Chris says, "I really don't know what it is about Remy but when you look at him you will find yourself smiling for no reason at all. He is the kind of dog that will always be by your side in your time of need. You can just feel the love when you look into his eyes and he always seems to be smiling back at you." Having a dog in the classroom seems natural to many students and changes the atmosphere of the room. "It takes a lot of the stress away and he always makes everyone happy" remarks Trinity. Remy will also make special trips the grade school and high school throughout the year. At the grade school, students love getting an opportunity to read to him. He has visited Miss Brown's class several times. "Remy is a therapy dog that not only helps adults but also children who need extra love. I have seen Remy work his magic with students with anxiety and help struggling students want to read to him." In the high school, Remy has been to the Veterinary Science class and visited other classrooms.

The benefits of having Remy at school are even visible at home for many students. One family in particular has seen remarkable benefits of having a therapy dog in their daughter's classroom.

"Our daughter, Faith, has always struggled academically in school. However in the past few years she has also struggled greatly with depression. Last year when the depression was at its worst Mrs. Weiland started bringing a dog to school each day, Remy. The teachers and counselors at our school are wonderful, but they still cannot fill the void that an animal can for certain children. Animal therapy is something that is special and unique and no person can ever fill the shoes of. As our daughter says 'an animal loves you unconditionally and will never judge you'. We have a tradition in our family at dinner that each child goes around the table and says what they liked and disliked for the day. Almost every day my daughters joy or like is the dog, Remy. Faith will tell us the funny things the dog did during the day. She also tells us when she is overwhelmed or sad that she sits with the dog and always feels better. Everyday life for my daughter is a struggle. Sometimes just getting out of bed in the morning is hard. We noticed almost instantly when the dog started coming to school that she wasn't worrying as much about school. At the parent-teacher conference we are also getting good reports and noticing improvements. If you ask Faith who are her friends are at school, one of those friends on her list is the dog Remy. When we see relatives and they asked her about school what she talks about is Remy. Of course people are always surprised and impressed that our school has a therapy dog. A therapy animal at the school has made a huge impact on our daughter's life for the better. We are truly grateful and will always be grateful for this blessing." -Mark and Julie

Remy will continue to benefit students throughout the district. Even though there is no way of knowing exactly all the students' lives that Remy has touched, we do know that he has been a great addition to the Tremont Middle School staff!



Madrigal Dinner

Enjoy dinner and a show at the Madrigal Dinner on Friday, Dec. 16th and Saturday, Dec. 17th. If you would like tickets, please contact the High School.

Monday

MS BB @ Parkview - 5:00PM
Parkview School
800 Groveland Ave, Creve Coeur, IL

HS GBB vs Heyworth - 5:30PM

Tuesday

HS BB vs Heyworth - 5:30PM

Thursday

HS GBB vs Fisher - 5:30PM

Friday

Madrigal Dinner - 5:30PM

Saturday

HS WR @ Metamora Invite - 9:00AM
Metamora Township High School
101 W. Madison St, Metamora, IL

Madrigal Dinner - 5:30PM

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